

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1846.

The Senate met according to adjournment.

Mr. Gilmer introduced a bill to enforce the State's indemnity against loss, on account of her suretyship for the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road; which was read the first time and passed.

The bill to give exclusive jurisdiction to the Superior Courts of Moore county, and for the better regulation of the County Courts of said county, was read the third time, passed, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Francis, the vote on the motion to refer and print the bill to consolidate the laws in favor of poor Debtors, was reconsidered, and so much thereof as requires the bill to be printed, was stricken out, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bill to increase the School Fund, in the counties of Buncombe, Craven and New Hanover, by a tax on Billiard Tables, was read the second time. Mr. Daniel moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed; which was decided in the negative—yeas 9, nays 30.

Those who voted in the affirmative are,

Messrs. Daniel, Exum, Gavin, Hester, Melchor, Speight, Thompson, Tomlinson and Walker, 9.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Messrs. Barnard, Bogle, Boyd, Cameron, Drake, Ehringhaus, Ferrand, Francis, Gilliam, Gilmer, Gilchrist, Graves, Halsey, Hargrave, Hawkins, McMillan, Mills, Patterson, Poindexter, Russell, Stallings, Street, Waddell, Ward, Woodfin and Wooten, 30.

Mr. Ehringhaus moved to amend the bill, by adding the counties of Pasquotank and Currituck, so as to extend the provisions of the bill to those counties, and Mr. Hawkins, to add the county of Warren; which motions were agreed to.

Mr. Woodfin moved to amend the bill, by adding a proviso to the first section, prohibiting, under a penalty of five hundred dollars, any person from keeping up any Billiard Table between the first day of November and the first day of June, in each and every year, in the county of Buncombe; which was concurred in.